



## Airmen support presidential visit to South America

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Global reach and power is what the U.S. Air Force reflected during their deployment in support of President George W. Bush's visit to Argentina, Brazil and Panama, Nov. 3 through 7.

The Air Force, working with the already robust security measures of the host-nation governments, provided additional security, surveillance and logistical support for the President of the United States.

"Because of the hard work, initiative, ingenuity and experience of the people we have here at Twelfth Air Force and Southern Command Air Forces we were able to do this a second time," said Lt. Gen. Mark Schmidt, Headquarters Twelfth Air Force and U.S. Southern Command Air Forces commander.

The visit allowed the President to continue his dialogue with the hemisphere's democratically-elected leaders, to highlight the U.S.'s engagement

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Photo by Airman 1st Class Veronica Pierce

Senior Airman Rea Keumsuk and Airman First Class Jonathan Adkins, 355th Medical Group Bio-Environmental Flight, test the water in a reserve tank for foreign chemical agents during Operational Readiness Exercise Bushwhacker 06-01 at Desert Lightning City here. The water levels are checked at least daily. For more photos from the ORE, see **Ready to fight when ordered**, Page 10.

## Base, local vehicle registration rules affect Airmen, families

By Peter Torok  
355th Security Forces Squadron

Enforcement trends indicate that more people are putting themselves at risk of losing their base driving privileges and are putting themselves and the Air Force in a position of legal and financial liability.

According to Air Force Instruction 31-204, Air Force Motor Vehicle Traffic Supervision, driving a personally owned vehicle on an Air Force installation is a privilege granted by the installation commander.

By accepting that privilege, the individual accepts the responsibility to comply with the laws and instructions governing motor vehicle operation and registration.

Since July, 64 vehicle operators have been cited for operating a vehicle on Davis-Monthan without proof of insurance or without current state registration in their possession, or both.

Operating a vehicle on-base without valid and active insurance will result in a loss of driving privileges for one year.

Additionally, depending on circumstances, this could also result in suspension of the individual's state driver's license and may result in further disciplinary action.

The commander (enforced by security forces) will not allow vehicles with an expired or invalid vehicle registration to enter the base. Individuals must be able to produce the following items when requested by security forces:

- ◆ Proof of current vehicle insurance;
- ◆ A U.S. Armed Forces Identification

Card or acceptable identification for civilian personnel and base contractors;

- ◆ Proof of vehicle ownership or registration and
- ◆ A valid driver's license.

In some instances, a state or other governing jurisdiction in which a vehicle is registered may require a safety or other inspection even when the vehicle is operated in another state or jurisdiction. Drivers should know what is required in their state.

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### The Davis-Monthan Air Force Base timeline of sorties as of Monday

Squadron	Required	Flown	Annual	Squadron	Required	Flown	Annual
41st ECS	150.0	15.3	590.0	162nd OSB	170.0	91.7	2,135.0
43rd ECS	105.0	48.8	1,398.0	354th FS	200.0	83.4	8,942.0
55th RQS	200.5	96.2	2,880.0	357th FS	726.0	333.2	8,998.0
79th RQS	160.0	52.5	1,845.0	358th FS	770.0	356.5	9,134.0

### Craycroft Road light change

The City of Tucson is changing the left-turn signal sequence from the west-bound Golf Links Road. The new turn signal will operate as a "Left On Green Arrow Only." This change will help prevent many of the car accidents that have been seen at the intersection.



Operational Readiness  
Exercise wrap up

Congratulations Desert Lightning Team on a great Phase II Operational Readiness Exercise!

Last week we tested our ability to survive and operate from an austere location — our new, soon-to-be Air Combat Command standard, Desert Lightning City. Watching your hard work and dedication reminded me yet again what an honor it is to serve our country alongside all of you. While we haven't gone through the throes of a Phase II exercise in nearly a year, this event clearly refocused our sight picture on our war-fighting mission. This exercise tested our Command and Control, Self Aid Buddy Care, ability to survive and operate and the ability to meet the Air Tasking Order — unquestionably we're ready day or night.

Equally important, we successfully tested our new Desert Lightning City training area. This outstanding training facility replicates nearly every facet of an austere location — epitomizing the concept of "train as you fight." Desert Lightning City could not have been a reality with-

out the diligent preparation of the 355th Civil Engineering Squadron, 355th Communications Squadron, 355th Contracting Squadron and 355th Wing Plans and Inspections.

Right now, we have 700 Airmen deployed from the Desert Lightning Wing who will come back to us and their loved ones because of the superior training, resourcing and leadership you provided them while in garrison. We've exercised in the past to drive home the importance of these three elements — we will continue to exercise in the future. The cost of not doing so is too high.

Despite our successes, we still have room to improve. I expect that you'll return to your workspaces with lessons learned about how to make our next deployment to DLC more effective and realistic. Please forward those ideas to your squadron or group commander.

Your teamwork, leadership and professionalism are what make the Desert Lightning Team the best in the Air Force. While more than 1,000 Airmen are already deployed from Davis-Mon- than doing the nation's work, it's unequivocally clear that every one of you is ready to fight when called. My thanks to you for an extraordinary event.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Jesse Shipps

Col. Michael Spencer, 355th Wing commander (right), and Maj. John Boudreaux, 355th Communications Squadron commander (left), congratulate Senior Master Sgt. Brian Duke, 355th CS, who was selected for chief master sergeant by punching chief stripes on him during D-M's recent exercise Nov. 8.

Agency numbers

AAFES Agencies.....	228-3904	Inspector General.....	228-3558
Accounting and Finance.....	228-4964	Legal.....	228-6432
Chaplain.....	228-5411	Lodging.....	228-4845
Civil Engineering.....	228-3401	Military and Civilian Equal	
Clinic.....	228-2930	Opportunity Office.....	228-5509
Commissary.....	228-3116	Military Personnel.....	228-5689
Eagle Eyes.....	228-8888	Public Affairs.....	228-3204
Family Support.....	228-5690	Security Forces.....	228-6178
Fitness and Sports Center.....	228-0022	Services.....	228-5596
Haefner Fitness Center.....	228-3714	SARC.....	228-7272
Housing Office.....	228-3687	Transportation.....	228-3584

**604** Airmen were saved from the consequences of driving under the influence by the Airmen Against Drunk Driving Program since Dec. 31. Individuals interested in volunteering should contact Airman 1st Class Logan English, AADD scheduler, at 228-6674.

Call AADD at  
**850-2233**  
Friday and Saturday from 11 p.m. to 4 a.m. For more information regarding AADD, see the Web site <https://aadd> on the D-M intranet.

Team D-M Mission Spotlight

The 355th Logistics Readiness Squadron directs all wing transportation, supply and logistics planning functions through a 470-person work force supporting A/OA-10, HC-130 and HH-60E combat-ready aircraft. The 355th LRS manages more than \$202 million in supplies and equipment, maintains \$42 million worth of vehicles, and directs \$49 million in fuels support. They generate deployments, reception, planning and execution and manage personnel and equipment for operational taskings.

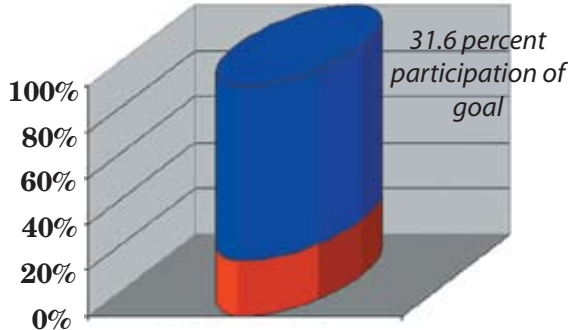
Senior Airman Charles Drewry and Senior Airman Kristian Shaffer, both of the 355th Logistics Readiness Squadron, process property bound for the 355th LRS Traffic Management Office.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Clark Staehle

Contribution update

The goal for the 2005 Combined Federal Campaign is for 2,972 people to participate. As of Monday, 223 participant's forms have been turned in.



Ready to deploy ...

**Davis-Monthan:** 1,020      **355th Wing:** 700  
(Approximate numbers as of Tuesday.)

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# Riding gas-powered scooters not an option

By Airman 1st Class Clark Staehle  
355th Wing Public Affairs

Effective immediately, the use of gas-powered scooters are banned on Davis-Monthan.

Airmen are restricted from driving motorized scooters on base, said Capt. David Gilkes, an attorney formerly assigned to the 355th Wing assistant staff judge advocate office.

The decision reflects Tucson's May 2004 decision to ban motorized scooters on roads, sidewalks and bike paths.

"We cannot permit motorized scooters on our roads and sidewalks because those are under city jurisdiction," Captain Gilkes said.

Davis-Monthan is considered proprietary jurisdiction, which

simply means the base is subject to the same laws that govern Tucson. This also means the Tucson Police Department can enforce laws on D-M in addition to the 355th Security Forces Squadron.

The city of Tucson defines scooters as motorized play vehicles with a deck, an electric or gas motor and two tandem wheels.

They do not include motorized wheelchairs or electric personal assistance mobility devices, Captain Gilkes said.

The decision also means Airmen who have had their base driving privileges revoked can no longer use these vehicles as alternate transportation.

The reason for the ban is

twofold: it helps keep D-M's personnel safe and complies with Tucson legislation.

"Banning motorized scooters on Davis-Monthan helps us preserve our most valuable asset, Airmen, by keeping them safe whether driving on our roads or walking on our sidewalks," said Col. Cesar Rodriguez, 355th Mission Support Group commander.

"Ensuring only properly licensed and registered vehicles travel here reflects the policy and vision of not only the 355th Wing commander but the Tucson city council as well. Remaining good Wingmen to the city of Tucson is instrumental in maintaining good relations with our host city," the colonel said.

## Registration

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Though not enforceable in another state, failure to comply may invalidate the vehicle registration leaving the owner/operator in a precarious legal position.

In such cases, it becomes the owner's responsibility to comply with their home state or other issuing jurisdiction requirements in addition to host-state requirements.

Owners should secure host-state registration when unable to comply with licensing and/or registration requirements issued by their home-state.

If cited by security forces for not having proper insurance or registration, personnel have three duty-days to report to the 355th Security Forces Squadron's Law Enforcement Desk in Building 1358.

Individuals must provide proof that their insurance was valid and active at the time the citation was issued. The LE Desk is open 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a week.

The burden of proof is on the operator.

If proof of insurance is not provided as specified above, 355th SFS will initiate paperwork to revoke driving privileges for one year, in accordance with Air Combat Command policy.

For more information about registration and insurance laws in Arizona, go to [www.azleg.gov](http://www.azleg.gov) and click on the "State Statutes," Title 28, Chapter 9.

For specific questions about base requirements, call Pass and Registration at 228-3224.

### Know the facts ...

Airmen need to ensure their vehicles are properly registered in their state of residence or in the state of Arizona.

The Servicemembers' Civil Relief Act, Section 571 states:

*"(a) Residence or domicile. A service-member shall neither lose nor acquire a residence or domicile for purposes of taxation with respect to the person, personal property, or income of the servicemember by reason of being absent or present in any tax jurisdiction of the United States solely in compliance with military orders."*

This section defines "personal property" to include motor vehicles and defines "taxation" to include licenses.

Therefore, servicemembers do not have to have their vehicle registered in the state of Arizona if they maintain a residency in another state and their vehicle is registered in that state.

Additionally, the Arizona Supreme Court ruled in 1964 that a servicemember's spouse is legally allowed to drive the vehicle with out-of state plates if the vehicle is registered in the name of the servicemember in another state.

If the vehicle is registered in the non-military member's name, the vehicle should be registered in the state of Arizona.

## News Notes

### Shoppette traffic flow change

To make traffic flow on base both safe and practical, the Army Air Force Exchange Services Shoppette, located on the corner of Craycroft Road and Granite Street, has changed to one-way traffic. Cars must enter from El Dorado Street and exit onto Granite Street. Directional signs and arrows painted on the ground will direct drivers in and out of the area. This change is part of a traffic study the Civil Engineer Squadron is conducting to improve traffic flow in and around the Base Exchange/Commissary complex.

### Finance closure today

The 355th Comptroller Squadron will be closed starting at 1 p.m. today for an official office function.

### Housing Office closure

The Housing Office will be closed Thursday in observance of Thanksgiving and Friday in observance of the Air Combat Command Family Day. The office will reopen Nov. 28 at 7:30 a.m. For emergencies, call Housing Maintenance at 228-8600.

### Craycroft Road resurfacing

Many of Davis-Monthan's roads and parking lots over the next five months will be resurfaced or repaved to extend their service life. The first of these projects will repave Craycroft Road (Ironwood to Yuma Streets) Nov. 15 through 30. Access to the Base Golf Course and Enlisted Club will be by way of Nuggat Street or the parking lot behind the Enlisted Club off 10th and Libre Streets. For more information contact Tim Reed at 228-5652.

### Congratulations

In the Nov. 10 edition of the **Desert Airman**, Senior Master Sgt. Brian Duke, 355th Communications Squadron, was mistakenly left off the list of names of those selected for promotion to chief master sergeant.

### Professional development series

Company Grade Officers and NCOs have the opportunity to hear Zeidan Atashi speak today at 11:30 a.m. at the Mountain View Conference Center. Mr. Atashi has a great deal of experience and insight on the politics in the Middle East. Attendees may go through the buffet line starting at 11 a.m.

### Force Shaping briefings

Force Shaping Briefs will occur at the Mirage Conference Center Nov. 21:

- ◆ 8 to 9 a.m.: Group and squadron commanders;
- ◆ 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.: Mandatory for 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005 commissionees and
- ◆ 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.: Spouses.

## Terrorism history

### Nov. 17

Members of the Action Directe terrorist group murdered George Besse, president of Renault, France in 1986.

### Nov. 14

The United Kingdom issued indictments against two Libyans for the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 in December 1989.



# Security forces, Working Dogs compete, place in city K-9 trials

By 355th Wing Public Affairs

Competing against 65 teams from all over the united states, Senior Airman Dennis Luczak and his military working dogs Ali, placed second in agility during the 17th annual K-9 Trials Nov. 11 through 13.

"For Senior Airman Luczak to take second place shows his dedication to the career field and how proud he is to be an elite K-9 handler," said Tech. Sgt. Bradley Guerry, 355th SFS MWD section NCO incharge.

Three teams of handlers and working dogs represented Davis-Monthan and the Air Force in several events at the competition including building search, handler protection, explosives detection, tactical obedience, narcotics detection and area search.

These annual competitions help to better prepare the dog handlers and their dogs to respond to different missions stateside and overseas.

"It helps the trainer and dog team better accomplish the mission by trading ideas, training methods with other agencies, any problems or solutions encountered and it also motivates the handler to work more with his dog on certain areas he feels he lacks in comparison to other dogs such as basic obedience," said Staff Sgt. Andrew Esparza, 355th MWD trainer and assistant NCO incharge.

"I feel the handlers learned a lot about their dogs from this competition," Sergeant Guerry said. "There were a few minor things they need to work

on, but for the majority of the events, I feel their confidence was boosted."

The teams will continue working together, training for deployments and the security of Davis-Monthan with extra confidence and morale. Airman Luczak will continue training after graduating Airman Leadership School in December.

"The 355th SFS did extremely well during the competition," Col. Cesar Rodriguez, 355th Mission Support Group commander said. "I could not be any more proud of the outstanding effort all the handlers put into the competition."

*Staff Sgt. Daniel Buzzard, 355th Security Forces Squadron, and Military Working Dog Rex, compete in the K-9 trails Nov. 11 through 13 at Hi Corbett Field at Reid Park.*



Photo by Staff Sgt. Lanie McNeal

## President

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in the region, and promote the consolidation of democracy and the expansion of economic opportunity and prosperity through open markets and free trade, according to the U.S. Embassy in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

More than 400 Airmen from several bases supported the efforts, which started with the President's first visit to Argentina for the fourth Summit of the Americas.

"The fact that we were able to go into these countries with this type of requirement and cooperate military to military and Air Force to air force with them in this sensitive area within their own sovereign air space was very heartening." Said Lt. Gen. Schmidt. "It shows that our engagement efforts in the last years have borne the fruit of friendship and trust."

The Summit of the Americas is the premier political forum for governments south of the equator, which included 34 heads of state and Government of the Americas whose



Photo by Capt. Carla Pampe

**PANAMA CITY, Panama** — In support of President George W. Bush's visit to South America, the civil engineering team out of Hurlburt Air Force Base, Florida removed runway lights and installed a barrier at one of the locations. After President Bush departed safely, the team removed the barrier and put the runway back exactly as they found it. The president traveled around South America for several days with Air Force support.

efforts were directed at building and implementing a shared agenda on the theme of the Summit 'Creating Jobs to Fight Poverty and Strengthen Democratic Governance.'

His second visit led him to visit Brazil at the invitation of President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva.

While there, President Bush said the plan he supports for the region

## Medical corps selects officers for developmental education

**RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas**

— Officials at the Air Force Personnel Center here recently selected more than 100 medical service officers to attend developmental education beginning in summer 2006.

The fiscal 2006 developmental team developmental education boards were held during the summer and fall of 2005 to competitively select officers for targeted developmental education programs.

Officers identified on the list will be assigned based on time on station and specific program requirements.

Selectee lists are accessible through AFPC's Web page, <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/medical/default.htm>.

Click on the Division Branches drop down menu to view selectees by medical specialty.

### D-M selectee

**Capt. Angela Scholer**, 355th Medical Operations Squadron was selected to attend the Family Nurse Practitioner Course.

would ensure social justice through representative government, open markets and "faith in the transformative power of freedom in individual lives."

The President's last stop was in Panama, where after meeting with Panamanian President Martín Torrijos at the Presidential Palace, the President and Mrs. Bush visited the Miraflores Locks at the Panama Canal, the American Cemetery at Corazal, and met with local baseball players at the City of Knowledge.

"We received outstanding support from so many different agencies in Panama. From the Civil Aeronautical Authority and the Office of Defense Cooperation to the staff Tocumen Airport and the U.S. Embassy, everyone bent over backwards to give us the assistance we needed to accomplish our mission. It was truly a team effort," said Capt. Carla Pampe, deployed public affairs officer in Panama.

The unique opportunity to support the commander-in-chief during his visit to Central and South America highlighted the professionalism and dedication of the U.S. Air Force and the determination to accomplish the mission anywhere, anytime.

# DON'T MISS OUT

## *Airmen who chose not to get CJR face possible separation or retraining*

**By Senior Airman Brandy  
Dupper-Macy**  
*355th Wing Public Affairs*

As a first-term Airman's enlistment nears an end, they have many choices to make from staying in to reenlisting.

One thing many Airmen fail to remember as the time for separations creeps up is applying for a Career Job Reservation.

"All first-term airmen are highly encouraged to apply for a CJR even if you are planning to separate from the Air Force," said Tech. Sgt. Dickie Ruiz, 355th Mission Support Squadron Career Enhancements NCO incharge.

"Having an approved CJR does not keep you from separating if that is your intent, but will allow you to reenlist if your plans to separate change. If airmen fail to apply and receive an approved CJR they are unable to continue service in the Air Force," Sergeant Ruiz said.

Lt. Col. Cassie Barlow, 355th Mis-

sion Support Squadron commander, echoes Sergeant Ruiz.

"Things change," Colonel Barlow said. "I would say six out of the 10 people who come in the military and say they are only staying for one-tour change their mind."

In order to apply for a CJR, it is crucial that Airmen know when they are due to sign up for one.

"A four-year enlistee can apply between the first day of their 35 month of service and the 24 day of their 43 month of service," Colonel Barlow said. "A six-year enlistee could apply between the first day of their 58 month of service and the 24 day of their 67 month of service. However they would want to apply on the first day."

With the Air Force reducing the force's numbers, it can be difficult to remain in the Air Force uniform. Reserving a CJR helps to ensure that if an individual changes their mind and wants to make the Air Force a career, it's still an option.

"One individual had a small child

and wife, his plan was to make the Air Force a career, however when his (Air Force Specialty Code) came up on the CJR Constraint list, he didn't apply to retrain into another career field as he was advised and he was forced to separate," said Senior Master Sgt. Crystal Flowers, Davis-Monthan career assistance advisor.

An Airman at Davis-Monthan also failed to get a CJR for his job, however there are other options if one misses their time frame to apply for a CJR or one of the Air Force Specialty Codes that are on the constrained list.

"I never got a CJR because my career field was overmanned," said Rodney Franks, 355th Component Maintenance Squadron turbo propeller craftsman and T-56 floor supervisor. "I was put on a CJR waiting list and (the Air Force Personnel Center) was only letting one person per month receive a CJR."

"I was number 19 on the list, so I knew I wouldn't be able to get a CJR. So I took my career assistance advisor's advice and applied for retraining

and I also put in for special duties.

"If all these options fail do not give up! There are still ways to stay in the Air Force. If you need any help use your chain of command and eventually you will end up in the career assistance advisor's office."

"Applying for it will not hurt you," Colonel Barlow said. "If you don't apply it can end your career."

"If they apply and their AFSC is on the constraint list, they will need to apply for retraining or a Special Duty. If they are selected for either within their window, they will get a CJR in that field."

**Timetable to apply for Career Job Reservations**

**Four-year enlistment:**  
First day of 35th month of service through 24th day of 43rd month of service

**Six-year enlistment:**  
First day of their 58th month of service through 24th day of the 67th month of service



**BAGRAM AIRFIELD, Afghanistan** — Staff Sgt. David Famigiletti, pavement and heavy equipment operator, 1st Expeditionary RED HORSE Group, tops off the first load of landfill-bound demolished concrete at the groundbreaking of the new passenger terminal here. Expected to be complete by early 2006, the 7,750-square-foot passenger terminal will help ensure American and Coalition forces are mission capable as the Global War on Terrorism continues. RED HORSE is an acronym for rapid engineer deployable heavy operational repair squadron engineers. Sergeant Famigiletti, a native of Waterbury, Conn., is deployed here from Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.



## New terminal to keep war fighters mission capable

Story and photo by Staff Sgt. Marcus McDonald

455th Air Expeditionary Wing Public Affairs

**BAGRAM AIRFIELD, Afghanistan** — RED HORSE (rapid engineer deployable heavy operational repair squadron engineers) warriors here are laying the foundation for a \$932,000 passenger terminal designed to keep American and coalition forces mission capable as the Global War on Terrorism continues.

In early 2006, people transiting the 7,750-square-foot facility here will notice additional space and a more secure area.

“Once this project is complete, military and civilian travelers will see be a more spacious facility, which is better designed for the potential flow of more than 300 people traveling

through Afghanistan’s busiest hub at any one time,” said 1st Lt. Megan Leitch, project officer.

“Also, a new secure waiting area will give terminal administrators the opportunity to better manage flights in and out of the country,” she said.

Lieutenant Leitch’s 24-person team is a part of the 1st Expeditionary RED HORSE Group deployed here from Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.

Lt. Col. Walter Fulda, 455th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron commander, said the new passenger terminal will ensure mission readiness.

“Our existing passenger terminal is undersized and does not meet the operational requirements of today’s war fighters,” said Colonel Fulda, deployed here from Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz. “This new passenger terminal will be the hub of a

larger passenger services campus at Bagram to include a new customs facility and the newly opened USO.”

Colonel Fulda said his passenger services section keeps war fighters on the move as they pursue peace throughout the country and region.

“Our role is to rapidly and accurately move people within the Afghanistan and U.S. CENTCOM (Central Command) area of responsibility,” said the colonel, a native of Charleston, S.C. “From ensuring Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines are deployed to their units, to making sure other war fighters get much-needed rest and relaxation time while deployed, our passenger terminal staff gets the right people to place and the right time.”

According to Lieutenant Leitch, a native of Fairfax, Va., the completion of this RED HORSE project,

along with the new post office and customs office, is making way for the construction of a cargo ramp here in the summer of 2006.

On an average month, the 455th ELRS processes 8,000 people through the passenger terminal.

“Although the passenger services responsibility belongs to our squadron, Bagram’s passenger movement team includes the 14th Movement Control Team, Kellogg, Brown and Root contractors, and the Joint Personnel Reception Center,” said Master Sgt. Brian Smith, passenger service noncommissioned officer in charge.

“The movement of passengers is truly a joint effort and the 455th ELRS cannot perform its mission in support of deployed personnel with the close coordination and dedication of the whole Bagram team,” Sergeant Smith said.

## Deployed commander hands out monthly awards to D-M Airmen

### Desert Comm recognizes top deployed performers

The following Airmen from Davis-Monthan were recognized by the 506th Expeditionary Communications Squadron commander, Maj. Jeffrey Sorrell.

Major Sorrell and these Airmen recognized

are regularly assigned to the 355th Communications Squadron. They are deployed to Kirkuk Regional Air Base, Iraq.

#### Weekly Award Winners

- ◆ Airman 1st Class Bradley Benner, Oct. 10
- ◆ Tech. Sgt. Patrick Cunningham, Oct. 17

#### Sharp Award Winners

- ◆ Airman 1st Class Jeffrey Sroka, Oct. 17
- ◆ Senior Airman Jeremiah Rylee, Oct. 24

#### Of the Month

- ◆ Senior Airman Christopher Elkins, Airman of the Month
- ◆ Staff Sgt. Robert McMurtrie, NCO of the Month
- ◆ Capt. Stacey Frechette, Officer of the Month
- ◆ SABR Team — Staff Sgt. Russell Fairbanks, Staff Sgt. Rodney Jeter-Hicks, Senior Airman Joshua Brillon and Staff Sgt. Keith Motes.







# CRIME & Punishment

The following are some of the incidents the 355th Security Forces handled for the period of Oct. 28 through Nov. 9.

**Absent without leave**

Security Forces from Aviano Air Base notified the Security Forces Control Center a senior airman assigned to their installation was en route to Tucson and was AWOL. Security Forces contacted the Airman at Tucson International Airport, detained and escorted her to D-M for confinement. Investigation is on going.

**Assault and obstruction of justice**

Tucson Police notified the SFCC a major and a lieutenant assigned to Edwards Air Force Base and currently on temporary duty to D-M were incarcerated for assault and obstruction of justice stemming from an altercation at an off-base establishment.

**Civilian DUI**

A Security Forces member notified the SFCC they had stopped an unauthorized vehicle from entering the installation. Investigation revealed the vehicle operator was possibly DUI. Tucson Police and Security forces completed field sobriety test on the subject, which he failed and his BAC registered .119. Further investigation revealed the subject

was operating the vehicle with a suspended license. Tucson Police cited and arrested the subject.

**Civil incarceration: DUI**

Tucson Police Department notified the SFCC an airman first class assigned to 755th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron was incarcerated for driving under the influence. The airman was initially stopped for failure to utilize his vehicle headlights while operating the vehicle at night. Further investigation revealed the Airman was DUI. His blood alcohol content was .213.

**Domestic violence: disorderly conduct**

Tucson Fire Department notified the SFCC of a 911 hang-up at an installation residence. Security Forces investigation revealed an airman assigned to the 563rd Maintenance Squadron and his spouse were involved in a verbal altercation, which escalated to physical violence. Tucson Police were notified and arrested the airman for domestic violence and assault.

**Disorderly conduct: domestic violence**

A Security Forces member notified the SFCC of possible domestic violence at the Visitor Center. Security forces investigation revealed a staff sergeant assigned to the 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron and his spouse were involved in verbal altercation. Tucson Police were notified

and arrested the sergeant for domestic violence and disorderly conduct.

**Excessive speed violation**

A Security Forces patrol observed a government vehicle assigned to Army and Air Forces Exchange Services traveling at a high rate of speed. Security forces radar indicated the subject vehicle was traveling at 69 MPH within a 40 MPH zone. The vehicle operator was detained and cited.

**Narcotics drug paraphernalia**

A Sek Tek Installation Guard notified the SFCC, while completing a contractor vehicle inspection, he discovered possible narcotics. Security forces investigation revealed the contractor had marijuana and paraphernalia within the vehicle. Tucson Police were notified and they cited the contractor.

**Tickets issued ...**

- ◆ Speeding: 8 issued
- ◆ Failure to stop at posted signs: 7 issued.
- ◆ Expired registration; 9 issued.
- ◆ No proof of auto insurance: 8 issued.
- ◆ Failure to properly restrain a child: 1 issued.

# Ready to fight when ordered

*Practicing to deploy in new Desert Lightning City*



**Left:** Tech. Sgt. Rueben Ballesteros (left), reviews his checklist with Senior Airman James Armer as they take cover during Alarm Black Mission Oriented Protective Posture level four. Both Airmen are assigned to the 355th Communications Squadron. The exercise, held Nov. 7 through 10, tested Airman's communication and response abilities.

**Below:** As the sun begins to rise, Airmen start to process in for another day's exercise. This was the first exercise conducted in the tents built to simulate working and living in a deployed environment. While this exercise was conducted from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., the area will eventually be used for 24-hour operations.



**Top:** Airman 1st Class Daniel Waszack, 355th Civil Engineering Squadron, packs dirt in a hole simulated to have damaged the flightline during the Operational Readiness Exercise. Part of the civil engineer mission is to expeditiously repair damages to the runway as practiced and tested during the exercise.

**Right:** Second Lt. Rita Meana waits as Senior Airman Michael Feighery loads her plate with the lunch of the day in the dining facility tent in Desert Lightning City. Both are assigned to the 355th Services Squadron. This was the first time Airman's skills were tested at D-M in the tent city. The tent city ensured deployment skills were tested in similar conditions as Airmen experience in deployments to various areas of responsibility.







# ‘I met a hero last night’

## Deployed doctor remembers heroic story of patient

By Maj. Mark Rasnake  
332nd Expeditionary Medical Group

**BALAD AIR BASE, Iraq** — I met a hero last night. I did not realize it at the time, but he is the closest thing to a hero that I likely will ever meet. This is a place where the word “hero” is tossed around day in and day out, so much so that you sometimes lose sight of its true meaning. His story reminded me of it.

He was commanding a Bradley fighting vehicle that was struck with a roadside bomb, catching fire. The loading ramp jammed, trapping eight inside. The crew was forced to escape through a much smaller hatch in the top of the vehicle. All but one made it out. The medic was left behind, apparently unable to get out. Without concern for his own life, my hero went back in to the burning vehicle to retrieve his friend.

Six of his buddies came to us with severe burns. He came to us with burns over most of his body, the most severely injured of the group.

The surgeons worked for hours on his wounds and we worked for hours in the intensive care unit to stabilize him for transport. In the end, damage to his lungs made him too sick to be safely transported by plane to our hospital in Germany and then on to a burn center in San Antonio.

The ventilators we use for transport simply could not deliver the amount of oxygen he needed. If he stayed here in Iraq he would have died of his wounds.

We simply cannot care for such severe burns here.

*“They had to deliver every breath to him during that flight by squeezing a small bag by hand. I do not know yet if he made it to Germany alive, or if he will be able to fly on to San Antonio.”*

Maj. Mark Rasnake,  
332nd Expeditionary Medical Group

Only a handful of hospitals back in the U.S. can.

Knowing this, our air evac team loaded him into the plane for the six-hour flight to Germany. They had to deliver every breath to him during that flight by squeezing a small bag by hand. I do not know yet if he made it to Germany alive, or if he will be able to fly on to San Antonio.

Back home there is a bridge named for Sergeant Elbert Kinser. My grandfather told me the story about why the bridge was named for him. It came to my mind this morning. He was fighting alongside his buddies when the enemy threw a grenade into their ranks. Rather than attempt to run to escape the danger he threw himself on the grenade, saving the lives of his comrades. He was awarded the Medal of Honor for his gallantry, and the town named a bridge after him.

This is the story as I remember it being told to me. The details may be wrong. There is a memo-

rial at the end of the bridge that tells Sergeant Kinser’s actual story.

Honestly, I do not think I have ever stopped to read it.

How many people drive across that bridge every day without ever wondering why it has its name? How many ever stop at the large parking area in front of the memorial to read the story of this man’s last minutes on earth? How many of his friends are still alive to remember the story? How many grew old and had grandchildren because of his sacrifice? Did they thank him every day of their lives? The next time I cross that bridge I will stop for just a few minutes of my life to read about a man that gave all of his.

People use the word “hero” too much. We have cheapened it. We use it to describe football players and politicians. We even use it derisively at times to describe people we think are being too eager or self-promoting. It is even thrown about too cheaply over here when people describe groups of us just doing our jobs as “American Heroes.”

Most of us will serve our time here with pride without ever truly earning that title. The man I met last night deserves to be called Hero. Years from now, will his friends remember what he did last night? Will I?

I have said it before and will say it again. It is a privilege to be here taking care of these troops. Are they all heroes? They certainly are more so than any athlete back home will ever be. There is a higher standard though even here. I was honored by seeing him in person last night.

### Airman Against Drunk Driving needs volunteers

Airman Against Drunk Driving is an organization at Davis-Monthan dedicated to providing a safe alternative ride home for Airman who have had too much to drink. As the Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year’s holidays draw closer, AADD’s need for volunteers increases. Volunteers

are needed now to help with the positions of drivers and coordinators. Anyone interested in volunteering for AADD can e-mail [logan.english@dm.af.mil](mailto:logan.english@dm.af.mil). Anyone interested in using AADD’s services can call 850-AADD (2233).





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**SERVICES**

# SAM'S NOTES

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## Services News Briefs

### Youth Center Teen Lock-In

The Youth Center will host a teen lock-in tonight starting at 9 p.m. and ending tomorrow at 7 a.m. Teens can expect lots of fun, food and prizes. The cost is FREE. The D-M Teen Keystone Club will be presenting this Lock-In. The center still needs volunteers to help out with this event. If you're interested, there will be two volunteer shifts, 9 p.m. and 2 a.m. Volunteers should contact Kathy Sands at 228-8484 by noon today.

### National Military Family Day

In recognition of National Military Family Month, D-M families are invited to spend a day of togetherness this Sunday at the Desert Lightning Community Center, from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. The Community Center will offer some "old time family fun" with a variety of board games, movies, and a family meal in appreciation of all military families who go above and beyond the call of duty, all year long. For more information, please contact the Community Center at 228-3500.

### Mirage Thanksgiving Buffet

Enjoy a delicious Thanksgiving Day Buffet at The Mirage on Nov. 24. Cost is only \$18.95 per person and members receive a \$3 discount. There will be two sittings; the first is at noon and the second at 3 p.m. Please don't forget to make your required reservation. For more information or to make a reservation, call 228-3301.

### "Hook Up 2 Bowling"

The D-M Lanes is taking sign ups for their "Hook Up 2 Bowling" program. HU2B is a player development program that will make learning the game simpler, fun and affordable. Certified bowling instructors will teach participants etiquette, terminology, and bowling fundamentals. The cost is \$99 for adults and \$69 for youth (18 and under) and includes eight hours of instruction and on-the-lanes lessons. There will be a free orientation before each clinic. Participants also receive a free how-to-bowl booklet, a tour of the D-M lanes, and get to meet with other bowlers. Everyone who completes the program will receive a free bowling ball, towel, and bag. For more information, call 228-3461.

## Card sharks circle the tables at Desert Oasis Texas Hold'em Tourney...

CMSgt Chuck Talley (standing), 355th Wing command chief and volunteer facilitator for Texas Hold'em tournaments at the Desert Oasis, checks an "all in" hand at the finals table. The October Texas Hold'em Champion was Catherine Howard (right), 355th Mission Support Squadron. The club plans to hold tournaments on a monthly basis in the ballroom. Check your Services Activities Magazine for dates and times.



Photo by Rose Snapp

## Celebrate Mickey's birthday at ITT/ODR open house today



The Information, Tickets, and Tours and Outdoor Recreation Open House/Mickey Mouse birthday party will be held today in Bldg. 4430 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mickey will be visiting with everyone at various times throughout the day. There will be a cake cutting ceremony at 2 p.m. Customers can enjoy donuts and beverages in the morning and pizza and beverages in the afternoon. There will be contests and prize giveaways including plush Disney characters (pictured left), VIP passes to Castles-n-Coasters, Disney calendars, Winterhaven trip for two, free rentals, and more. Food and drinks are free. For more information, call 228-3700 or 228-3736.

## 2nd Annual Fall Crafts Bazaar



The Arts & Crafts Center is sponsoring a Fall Crafts Bazaar tomorrow from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Desert Oasis Enlisted Club Ballroom. Come by and visit with over 15 craft and specialty vendors featuring quilts, jewelry, cosmetics, candles, lamps, gift baskets, hand crafted items and much more. If you're looking for gift ideas, this is a great opportunity to start your Christmas shopping early. Come by and browse our wide variety of arts and crafts gifts. For more information, call 228-4385.

## The Mirage hosts special event tonight for retirees

The Mirage Officers' Club will host a special "all ranks" Retiree Appreciation Night from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. tonight. Guests can enjoy a Prime Rib, Chicken, or Salmon buffet for just \$16.95. Members receive a \$2 discount and retiree members receive an additional \$3 off. Enjoy the live sounds of big band music featuring the Keynotes! For more information, call 229-3301.





## Win a trip to the Super Bowl or Pro Bowl at Football Frenzy

Time is winding down for your chances to win the grand prize trips at Monday Night Football Frenzy (see trips below). Every Monday, club members at the Desert Oasis are taking home hundreds in prizes and Football Frenzy giveaways including authentic NFL gifts, sponsor gifts, **Arizona Cardinals** home game tickets, and hundreds in Frenzy Five coupons that can be spent like cash anywhere in the club!

Catch the **Miller Lite Girls** on Monday, Nov. 21 and again on Dec. 5. The Miller Lite Girls offer prize giveaways and fun promotional games throughout the evening.

In addition to being treated to a great game on nine screens, customers can enjoy drink specials like our "beer in a bucket" with five Miller Lite bottle beers for just \$10. There's also Miller Lite \$4 pitchers and \$1 drafts (12oz), or you can bring your own mug and get a beer for just \$2 or soda for \$1 (up to 32oz). Food specials are available throughout the evening including hot wings, chili, and more. Try Cabanas' pizza special; a one-topping 10" pizza for only \$5 (football patrons only, dine-in only, no carry out).

Come to Football Frenzy at the club and you could win one of these grand prizes!

- 🍌 **Super Bowl, Feb. 5, Detroit, MI (last chance to enter, Nov. 28)\***
- 🍌 **Pro Bowl, Feb. 12, Honolulu, Hawaii (last chance to enter, Dec. 12)\***
- 🍌 **Skybox Beverage Vendor with stand (last chance to enter, Dec. 12)\*\***

\*Each winner is allowed to bring one guest to the game. Trips include entry into the game, airline tickets, rental car, and hotel accommodations! Chances of winning Football Frenzy prizes increase with every game attended. \*\*The Skybox and other local grand prizes will be awarded at the Super Bowl Party at the Desert Oasis on Feb. 5, 2006.

D-M Football Frenzy at the Desert Oasis is open to "all ranks". Doors open at 4 p.m. For more information call 228-3100.

*"Arrive alive - don't drink and drive"*



## Youth Center

### Fit Factor program promotes healthy choices for D-M youth

Fit Factor is an Air Force Services youth fitness initiative that encourages physical activity, healthy eating selections and rewards youth between the ages of 9-18 years old for their efforts. Fit Factor stimulates interest and awareness of the importance of healthy lifestyle choices and encourages youth to Get Up, Get Out and Get Fit!

Fit Factor is an exciting web based program that rewards youth for being active and making healthy choices everyday. The goal of the Fit Factor program is to encourage healthy choices and teach youth to value their lives.

Upcoming Youth Center "Fit Factor" events:

- Dec. 6 - Bouncing around the gym
- Dec. 13 - Facts about soda
- Dec. 20 - Healthy choice cooking activity
- Dec. 27 - Juggling skills

All of the above events start at 5:30 p.m. For more information, call 228-8484.





# Services Information

**Outdoor Recreation and Information Tickets, and Tours**

ODR and ITT offer the following trips and tours in November and December:

- (ODR) Scottsdale Fashion Sq. Christmas Shopping, Dec. 3, cost \$15, sign up by Nov. 26.
- (ITT) Bridal Wreath Hike (Rincon Mountains), Dec. 10, cost \$10, sign up by Dec. 1.
- (ODR) Winterhaven Hayrides, Dec 19, cost \$12, age 2 and under free, sign up by Dec. 1.
- (ODR) Ft. Huachuca Trail Ride & Cookout, Dec. 17, cost \$35, sign up by Dec. 13.

All prices listed are per person. Trips depart from the ODR/ITT parking lot, Bldg. 4430. For more information or to sign up, stop by or call ODR at 228-3736 or ITT at 228-3700.

**“Cash Call” Fridays at the Clubs**

Your D-M clubs are giving away cash every week with the new “Cash Call” program. Here’s how it works; every Friday, between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m., the clubs will randomly draw a member’s name from the club member database. If your name is drawn and you’re present, you could win from \$50 to \$1,000. To be eligible for “Cash Call” money, you must be a current primary D-M Officer or Enlisted Club member. You must be present at the Desert Oasis Shockwave or Mirage Poly Bar to win. Club members have three minutes to show current D-M membership

card and photo ID once their name is called. If the primary club member is not present, the cash amount will stay in the “Cash Call” and accumulate to the next week. Once the amount has reached the max of \$1,000, there will not be an increase to the “Cash Call” until there’s a winner. Winnings are awarded on the spot to primary cardholders only. “Cash Call” winners can only win once in a four-week period. For more information, call 228-3100 or 228-3301.

**Pet Food Drive**

The Veterinary Treatment Facility (VTF) will be holding a pet food drive from Nov. 28 to Dec. 16. All pet food donations can be dropped off at the VTF in Bldg. 2712. Donations must be in new unopened bags or cans. All donations will then be brought to the local food bank by the Southern Arizona Veterinary Medical Association. For more information, please call the VTF at 228-3529.

**Library expands book/DVD titles**

The D-M Library recently received an influx of new books and DVD’s for D-M patrons. There is a great selection of new recreational and educational DVDs along with new books on cooking, home decoration, and computing. Several of the titles recently purchased include: Tarzan, National Treasure, The Paci-

fier, Ray, Million Dollar Baby, Hotel Rwanda, The Aviator, Oliver, Robots, Diary of a Mad Black Woman, Monster-in-Law, Hitch, and Audition.

Some of the educational DVD’s include: The Joy of Science, The History of the United States, Economics, Chemistry, Religions, Joyce’s Ulysses, Philosophy and Religion in the West, The Terror of History – Mystics, Heretics, and Werewolves in Western Tradition, and the Great Master’s; Haydn, Mozart, Tchaikovsky and Stravinsky.

The Library has also received several new book titles on computing including Excel Charts for Dummies, which gives basic instruction on using the chart making power of Excel. For more information, call 228-4381.

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# Sonoran Spotlight

*(Editor’s note: Sonoran Spotlight is a weekly feature of the **Desert Airman** that profiles a member — officer, enlisted or civilian — of Davis-Monthan Air Force Base.)*

*This week’s Sonoran Spotlight is Staff Sgt Ricardo F. Phillips Jr. of the 355th Comptroller Squadron. Sergeant Phillips is a financial document auditor. According to his superintendent, Chief Master Sgt. James Welker, he was nominated for the spotlight because “Tech. Sgt. (Sel.) Phillips is one of our best troops. He goes out of his way to help young troops adapt to the Air Force and learn their duties — whether they work in his section or not. He is definitely a role model for others to emulate.”*

*The following are Sergeant Phillip’s responses to a variety of questions.*

**What are your hobbies?** Spending time with my family, traveling and education.

**What are your career goals?** Getting a commission and being able to lead

**What has been your best assignment and why:** Probably my first assignment at Altus Air Force Base, Okla. I had rock-solid supervisors who I try to emulate now as a mid-level noncommissioned officer.

**What are the best aspects of your job?** The best aspects are feeling needed and being able to share my knowledge with the



Courtesy photo

younger troops.

**If you were an Air Force recruiter, what would you tell people about the Air Force?** The opportunities are almost limitless; you control what you become.

**Name someone who inspires you (or that you admire) and why:** My kids inspire me and I admire Christ.

## Veterinary Treatment Facility pet food drive

The Davis-Monthan Veterinary Treatment Facility will be holding a pet food drive Nov. 28 to Dec. 16.

The purpose of the pet food drive is to collect food for needy animals who might not otherwise be taken care of.

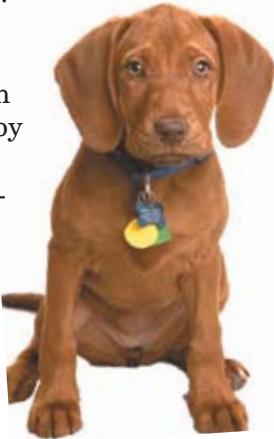
All pet food donations can be dropped off at the Veterinary Treatment Facility.

The Veterinary Treatment Facility is located in Building 2712, at the corner of Arizona Street and Seventh Street, just west of the Commissary.

All pet food donations must be in new, unopened bags or cans.

After the pet food drive finishes, all donations will be taken to the local food bank by the Southern Arizona Veterinary Medical Association.

Anyone who wants more information regarding what is acceptable to donate can call the Veterinary Treatment Facility at 228-3529.



# Final Answer

## What is the most important thing a supervisor can teach a troop?



**Master Sgt.  
Howard Yard**  
355th Civil  
Engineer Squadron

*“Respect for others and respect for the Air Force because I see so little of it these days.”*



**Capt.  
Marc Tkach**  
355th Civil  
Engineer Squadron

*“The value of the mission. If you get your subordinates to believe in it, then you have a better chance of completing the mission successfully”*



**Airman 1st Class  
Brandon Price**  
55th Rescue  
Squadron

*“The most important thing is motivation. Keep them motivated and they’ll be successful. Maybe one day they’ll be supervisors too and they can teach their troops the same thing.”*



**Navy Chief  
Petty Officer  
James King**  
Navy Recruiting  
District, Phoenix

*“Developing others is the most important thing. If you develop all the troops, they’ll be happy and successful.”*



**Staff Sgt.  
Orlando Jones**  
355th Logistics  
Readiness Squadron

*“To respect themselves. If they respect themselves others will respect them.”*



**Staff Sgt.  
Brenton Nance**  
355th Wing

*“I think the Air Force core values of integrity first, service before self and excellence in all we do aren’t just words we say, we need to live by them and use them as our guide not only in our professional lives, but in our personal lives as well.”*

**(Editors note:** If you would like to submit an answer for an edition of the Final Answer column or would like to give new ideas and suggestions for the Final Answer column, contact the Desert Airman staff at [desert.airman@dm.af.mil](mailto:desert.airman@dm.af.mil) or Airman 1st Class Clark Staehle at 228-5092.)



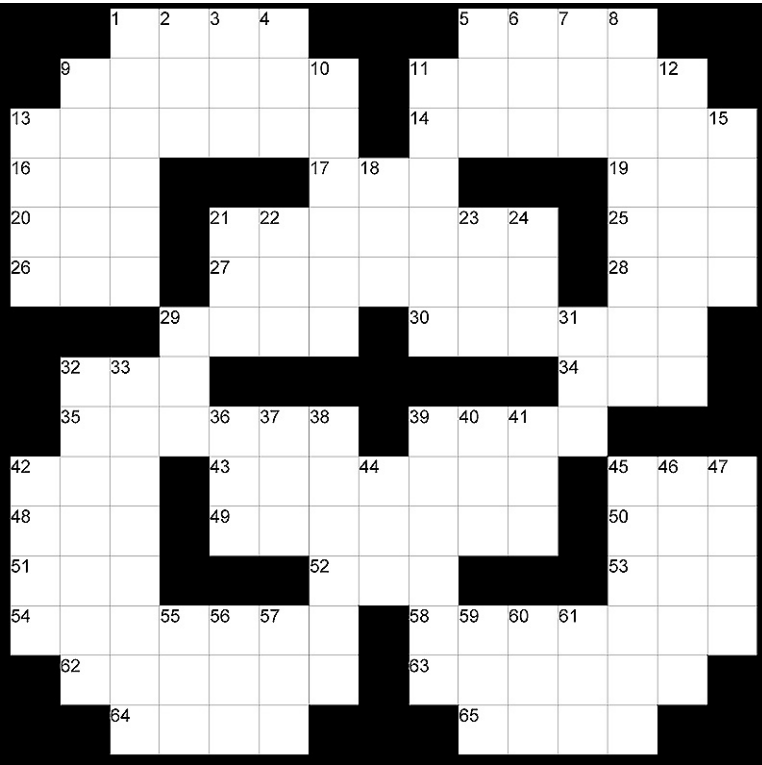
# Honoring Native Americans in uniform

**Across**  
1. Liberty \_\_\_\_  
5. Layman  
9. Native American MoH recipient Capt. Raymond \_\_\_\_ (Korea)  
11. Sail material  
13. Angst  
14. Try  
16. Popeye’s gal Olive  
17. \_\_\_\_ Arbor, M.I.  
19. American Architect I.M. \_\_\_\_  
20. Grant’s opponent  
21. Native American MoH recipient Lt Van T. \_\_\_\_ (WWII)  
25. Prohibit  
26. Langley AFB time zone  
27. Without offenses  
28. Before, poetically  
29. God of War  
30. Elastic  
32. \_\_\_\_-fi genre  
34. Ancient  
35. Swarm  
39. Egyptian river  
42. \_\_\_\_-lai  
43. Perform again  
45. Native American MoH recipient Cpl Mitchell \_\_ Cloud, Jr. (Korea)

48. Engine need  
49. Develops  
50. Biblical first woman  
51. &  
52. Letters on food packaging; vitamins %  
53. Football great Marino  
54. Desiring  
58. Lingo  
62. Half-asleep  
63. Pacific, Atlantic and Indian  
64. Pack away  
65. Record

**Down**  
1. Dance type  
2. Important time  
3. 56, to Julius Caesar  
4. Mil. pay statement  
5. Long. opposite  
6. Picnic pest  
7. \_\_\_\_ Got a Secret  
8. U.S. Senator Ben Nighthorse \_\_\_\_; Korean War veteran  
9. Native American Ira \_\_; flag raising participant on 56 DOWN  
10. Desires

11. Native American boats, once  
12. Impaled  
13. Spy  
15. Wear out  
18. Brett Favre’s org.  
21. Scout’s org.  
22. Plane or bag lead-in  
23. Stillwater, Okla. school  
24. Kitchen meas.  
29. Russian space station  
31. American writer Edgar Allen \_\_\_\_  
32. Tarnished  
33. Native American MoH recipient Lt. Ernest \_\_\_\_ (WWII)  
36. Mining goal  
37. West. state  
38. Native American MoH recipient PFC Charles \_\_\_\_ (Korea)  
39. Code Talker tribe of WWII  
40. Frozen water  
41. O-1s or O-2s  
42. \_\_\_\_ or Arc  
44. European country (ISO country code)  
45. Construct again  
46. Native American MoH



For solutions, see Page 22.

recipient CDR Ernest E. \_\_\_\_ (WWII)  
47. Lairs  
55. Speck  
56. \_\_\_\_ Jima, site of 9

DOWN’s famous flag raising  
57. Australian prov.  
59. Perform  
60. Actor Stephen  
61. Breach





## Chapel Information

Services and activities offered by the D-M chapels are listed below. For more information on Jewish or Muslim services, Sunday School programs, Vacation Bible School, Bible studies; youth groups, and ministries, call 228-5411.

### Worship schedule

#### Catholic

- ◆ Saturday Mass is at 5 p.m. at Desert Dove.
- ◆ Sunday Mass is at 9:45 a.m. at Desert Dove.
- ◆ Catholic Religious Education classes are held Sunday mornings from 8:15 to 9:30 a.m. in the Desert Dove and Hope Chapels. Registration is on-going and classes are held every Sunday that is not a holiday weekend.
- ◆ Catholic youth group meets every Sunday at 6 p.m. in the Desert Dove conference room. All youth in grades nine through twelve are invited to attend.

#### Protestant

- ◆ Traditional service is Sunday at 8:30 a.m. at Hope Chapel.
- ◆ Desert Lightning Fellowship (contemporary) is Sunday at 11:15 a.m. at Desert Dove.
- ◆ Gospel Service is Sunday at 11:15 a.m. at Hope Chapel.
- ◆ Sunday School classes are held for all ages from 9:45 to 11:45 a.m. in both the Hope and Desert Dove Chapels.
- ◆ Children’s Church is held weekly starting at 11:30 a.m. for both the Gospel and Desert Lightning services.

## Family Support Center

For more information, call 288-5690.

### Welcome home banners

Come join Hearts Apart and make your spouse a “welcome home from deployment” banner Nov. 29 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Hope Chapel. Free pizza and refreshments will be served. Register no later than Nov. 28 by calling the Family Support Center. All supplies will be furnished.

### Discovery Resource Center

The Discovery Resource Center is a resource room with various media to support the personal and family readiness programs services provided in the Family Support Center. Resources include six computers with internet access, printers, scanner, copier, and a library of career, employment, transition, and relocation assistance material. For more information, call Dawn Cooper at 228-7114.

## Education Services

For more information, call Norma White at 228-4249, or Rafael Maldonado at 228-3484.

### Pima Community College

Enrollment applications, assessment testing and orientation are all available for the new semester classes beginning Jan. 17. To see new class schedules visit [www.pima.edu](http://www.pima.edu) or pick up a copy from Education Services in Building 3200, Room 224.

# COMMUNITY

### Air Force Aid scholarship

The Air Force Aid Society offers a yearly scholarship to eligible military dependents of active duty and retired personnel through the General Henry H. Arnold Education Grant Program. The scholarship for the 2006 to 2007 academic year has increased to \$2,000. There are two deadlines for the application process: Part I, March 10 and Part II, April 15. Visit [www.afas.org](http://www.afas.org) for more information.

### University of Phoenix advisor

A University of Phoenix advisor will be available Nov. 22 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in Building 3200, Room 243. Appointments and walk-ins are welcome. Contact Melissa Hastings at 239-5202 or Ray Bishop at 239-5242 for more information.

## Information, Tickets & Tours

For more information, call 228-3700.

### Open House today

The Information Tickets and Tours and Outdoor Recreation offices are hosting a special Open House/Mickey Mouse Birthday event from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Building 4430 today. Customers can enjoy free donuts and beverages in the morning and free pizza and beverages in the afternoon. A cake cutting ceremony with Mickey begins at 2 p.m. There will be contests and prize give-a-ways including five VIP passes to Castles-N-Coasters, one Disney calendar, a Winterhaven trip for two, free rentals and more.

## Community Center

For more information, call 288-3500.

### National Military Family Day

D-M families are invited to spend a day at the Desert Lightening Community Center Sunday from 2 to 6 p.m. in recognition of National Military Family Month. There will be a variety of board games, movies and a family meal.

## Thrift Store

For more information, call 228-2120.

### Consignments

The D-M Thrift Store is open for consignments the first Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call the store to reserve space for large items and furniture. Regular business hours are Tuesday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## Arts & Crafts

For more information, call 228-4358.

### Fall Bazaar

The Arts & Crafts Center is hosting the second annual Fall Bazaar at the Desert Oasis Enlisted Club Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be more than 15 craft and speciality vendors at the event. If interested in selling homemade crafts or being a vendor contact the Arts & Crafts Center.

## Clubs

For more information about the the Mirage Officer’s Club, call 228-3301 or the Desert Oasis Enlisted Club, call 228-3100.

### Retiree Appreciation Night

The Mirage Officers’ Club is hosting a special Retiree Appreciation Night tonight from 5 to 9 p.m. Live Big Band music will play all evening. Dining choices are Prime Rib, Chicken or Salmon. The cost is \$16.95 per person with a \$2 discount for members and an additional \$3 discount for retirees.

### Thanksgiving buffet

A Thanksgiving Day Buffet will be served at the Mirage Officers’ Club Nov. 24. The cost is \$18.95 per person with a \$3 discount for members. The first meal will be served at noon and the second at 3 p.m. Reservations are required.

### Win lunch for two

Two members from each club can win each month by playing the “Calendar Search” game. If you find your last name and the last four digits of your club card number on the club’s calendar in the Services Activities Magazine, you win lunch for two at the Mirage.

## Youth Center

For more information, call 228-8844.

### Teen Lock-In

The D-M Teen Keystone Club is presenting a Teen Lock-In today starting at 9 p.m. until Saturday at 7 a.m. There will be free food and prizes. The center is looking for volunteers to help with two shifts. Contact Kathy Sands at 228-8484 for more information.

## Movies

Today

Two for the Money (R)  
7 p.m.

Saturday

Into the Blue (PG-13)  
7 p.m.

Sunday

Lord of War (R) 2 p.m.  
(All admission \$1.50)

Regular admission is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children 11 years and younger. Call 228-5694 for the theater movie recording.



# Perfection

## Airman bowls 300 score during intramural competition

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There was a lot of excitement at the D-M Bowling Center October 26 when a perfect game was bowled during a league competition here.

Tech. Sgt. (Ret.) Bill Simonar, formerly assigned to the 43rd Electronic Combat Squadron, meets every Wednesday with the D-M Classic Scratch League to compete against 10 other leagues for a yearly championship title.

When he realized he was very close to bowling the perfect game during the team competition he said, "I was a little nervous, hoping I could just hit that seven pin. The seven pin is a common problem for left-handed bowlers and it's haunted me forever."

But when the final pin went down there was exhilaration and handshakes all around as team-

mates congratulated him for his achievement, scoring a perfect 300.

"My teammates tease that I have an unfair advantage because I am a left-handed bowler. They claim that since I bowl on the left side of the lane, the oil pattern doesn't get moved around as much, so I don't have to make as many adjustments to my game," he said.

"Right-handed bowlers tend to send the ball down a path toward the right side of the lane, causing the oil pattern to change which effects the way the ball travels," he said.

"As the oil pattern moves through the course of the game, the path of the ball changes, so your game has to be adjusted. Our teasing is all in good fun though, we have known each other for years and we razz each other a lot," he said.

Bowling a perfect game is rare. Rick Huntly, assistant manager of the D-M Bowling Center said,

"Last year for all of the leagues combined we only saw three perfect games."

Sergeant Simonar bowled one other perfect game three years ago and attributes his success to practice and team work.

"I started bowling when I was about 12 years old. My father bowled, who got me interested and then he started teaching me. You have to learn the basics, feel comfortable and practice those spares. My father always told me 'Show me a bowler who picks up their spares and I'll show you a good bowler,'" he said.

The camaraderie of the military and the team work mentality is something Mr. Simonar says he takes with him to the bowling alley.

"One thing I loved and learned from being in the military is it's not all about me, but about the team and working together," he said.



Tech. Sgt. (Ret.) Bill Simonar focuses on the pins, standing at the end of the lane before throwing his third strike in a row at the Davis-Monthan Bowling Center. Mr. Simonar bowled a 300 during a D-M Classic Scratch League competition.

# AF Rugby team wins Armed Forces championship

By 1st Lt. Beth Tucker  
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An Airman from Davis-Monthan lead other Airmen from all over the world to win the 2005 Armed Forces Rugby Championship Oct. 17 through 21 at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Capt. Donald Gregson, U.S. Southern Air Forces, has played rugby in the Air Force since 1992 with the Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M. Coyote team and other teams and transitioned to the coaching position in 2003.

"There was a lot of pressure this year because we haven't been able to put back-to-back championships together," Captain Gregson said. "In the past five to six years, we have been either champs or runner's up."

The team traveled to Camp Lejeune several days before the competition with the goal of winning back-to-back championships in mind.

"Over the past few years, the Air Force has been the 'team to beat,'" Captain Gregson said. "This year the Marine coach gathered 500 Marines to stand on their sidelines for the first game against us."

With no time on the clock and only a penalty kick remaining for the Air Force team, the 500 Marines on the sidelines began to yell.

The penalty kick was missed, ending the game with a score of 16-15 in favor of the Marines.

With sportsmanship in full colors for the remaining games, the team's talent came through. The second game ended with a 22-6 win over Navy the same day.

Day two and three continued the trend of suc-



Photo by Staff Sgt. Ty Reyes

cess on the field with wins over Army (40-8) and Coast Guard (37-0).

The final championship match put the team against Navy. The Air Force team doubled their score from the previous match against the Navy, winning the championship for the second year in a row with a score of 46-14.

Local teams for the Airmen of this year's Air Force team include Korea, England, Germany, Italy and all over the U.S.

"Rugby is a warrior sport," Captain Gregson said. "There is a camaraderie that transcends other sports."

Camaraderie amongst the Armed Services

teams is not limited to the individual service teams, but is passed between all Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors, Marines and Coasties who played in the tournament.

"Rugby is a physical game, often described as 'football without pads' or 'organized chaos,' but players from the five services emphasized that after beating up on each other on the field, they all fight together on the same team in the bigger scheme of things," wrote Brian Berger for the SportsLink, the official Department of Defense Sports site.

(Information courtesy of Department of Defense Sports Web site.)

**CAMP LEJUNE, N.C. —** A member of the Air Force Rugby team pitches the ball during the game against the Marine Rugby team during the Armed Forces Championships.



# Sports Shorts

## 2006 youth basketball

The last two opportunities for skills evaluation are tonight at 5:30 p.m. for youth ages 11 and 12 years, and 7 p.m. for youth ages 13 to 15 years. The last opportunity for coach training is Nov. 29 at 5:30 p.m. Practices begin the week of Dec. 11, with games starting in January. Cost is \$40 for Youth Center members and \$45 for non-members. For more information, call 228-8844.

## Base, Club Championship

The Base and Club Championship, Dec. 10 and 11, is an individual stroke play event. Every participant will play 36 holes (18 holes each day). Winners will be selected in the following categories:

- ◆ Base Champion (active-duty only)
- ◆ Club Champion
- ◆ Senior Champion
- ◆ Net Senior Champion
- ◆ First Flight

Players will be broken up into flights based on their handicaps. All participants will pay \$30 for entrance into the tournament and

green fees for each day.

## LOA golf tournament

The Logistics Officer Association is holding a golf tournament Dec. 9 at the Blanchard Golf Course. The format is a four person scramble and all players will play from the blue tees. Cost is \$33 per person. Players can purchase three mulligans for \$5 with a limit of three per player.

Prizes will be distributed to the top three teams, closest to the pin and longest drive. To sign up, or for more information, contact Capt. Ben Smith at 228-2140 or 1st Lt. Carlos Salas at 228-1246. Note: This is a reschedule of the event rained-out in September.

## Link Up 2 Golf

The Blanchard Golf Course offers Link Up 2 Golf, a player development initiative that provides participants with a solid foundation about the game of golf, including swing mechanics, etiquette, terminology and how to maintain speed of play. For \$99, participants receive eight hours of small group instruction and a variety of on-course playing experiences. For more information, call 228-3734.

# Intramurals

For more information, call the Bowling Center at 228-3461.

## Week of Nov. 8

The following are the rankings from the week of Nov. 7.

Team	W	L
LRS	58	22
AMARC #1	52	26
SVS #2	52	28
755 OSS	52	28
MDG	50	30
CMS	48	32
COMM	48	32
CES	42	38
AMXS #2	42	38
25 OWS #1	40	40
AMARC #2	40	40
SVS #1	38	42
CPTS	38	40
563 MXS	34	46
12AF/ACOMS	32	48
AMXS #1	30	50
25 OWS #2	18	62

High Score Game:

SVS #1: 969  
Dale Tolgo: 264  
Carol Sanders: 220

High Series:

LRS: 2854  
Michael Newton: 653  
Carol Sanders: 569

## Tuesday

The following are the rankings from this week.

Team	W	L
LRS	62	26
AMARC #1	60	28
MDG	58	30
COMM	56	32
SVS #2	52	36
CES	52	36
CMS	52	36
755th OSS	52	36
25th OWS #1	46	42
CPTS	44	44
AMARC #2	42	46
AMXS #2	42	46
SVS #1	40	48
12th AF/ACOMS	35	52
AMXS #1	36	52
563rd MXS	34	54
25th OWS #2	22	66

High Score Game:

LRS: 1050  
J.McCafferty: 245  
Carol Sanders: 185

High Series:

AMARC #1: 2827  
Brian Null: 650  
Carol Sanders: 515







